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## PROCEEDINGS OF ACADEMY MEETINGS

## STATED MEETINGS

APRIL 4—*The New York Academy of Medicine*. Executive session—a] Reading of the minutes; b] Vote on amendments to constitution and by-laws. ¶ The Fifteenth Hermann Michael Biggs Memorial Lecture, "Heart disease—a world problem," Paul Dudley White, Lecturer in Medicine, Harvard Medical School; Physician, Massachusetts General Hospital. ¶ Report on election of members.

APRIL 18—*The Harvey Society in affiliation with The New York Academy of Medicine*. The Seventh Harvey Lecture, "Morphological and Functional Alterations of the Coronary Circulation," Joseph T. Wearn, Professor of Medicine, Western Reserve University School of Medicine.

## SECTION MEETINGS

APRIL 2—*Section of Dermatology and Syphilology*. Presentation of cases—a] City Hospital; b] New York Polyclinic Hospital; c] New York Hospital and Cornell Medical College; d] Miscellaneous cases. ¶ General discussion. ¶ Executive session. Nomination of Section Officers and one member of Advisory Committee.

APRIL 5—*Section of Surgery*. Reading of the minutes. ¶ Presentation of cases—a] A case of bilateral paralysis of inferior laryngeal nerve following thyroidectomy with spontaneous recovery, Henry F. Graham (by invitation); Discussion, William C. White; b] Parathyroid adenoma — multiple bone cyst formation, pathological fracture, cure following operation, Irwin E. Siris; Discussion, William Barclay Parsons; c] Carcinoma of the thyroid (2 cases), Frank B. Berry; Discussion, Howard A. Patterson; d] A case of hyperparathyroidism, Norman L. Higinbotham; Discussion, Bradley

L. Coley. ¶ Papers of the evening—a] Cancer of the thyroid, William L. Watson, John Pool; Discussion, Frederic Bancroft, Arthur S. McQuillan; b] Recurrences in hyperthyroidism, Edwin B. Eckerson; Discussion, Morris K. Smith; c] The treatment of postoperative tetany, Francis M. Donehue; Discussion, Otto Pickhardt. ¶ General discussion. ¶ Executive session. Nomination of Section Officers and one member of Advisory Committee.

APRIL 9—*Section of Neurology and Psychiatry*. Reading of the minutes. ¶ Presentation of cases—a] A case of thromboangiitis obliterans with cerebral involvement, D. J. Impastato (by invitation); b] Postencephalitic palilalia and paliphaxia and forced singing (from the New York University Neuropsychiatric Division of Welfare Hospital), S. Bernard Wortis, Martin H. Stein (by invitation), Sidney Govons (by invitation). ¶ Papers of the evening—a] Neurospongioblastoma: clinical and pathological aspects, Joseph H. Globus; Discussion, Otto Marburg (by invitation), Lewis D. Stevenson; b] Further experience with cervical rib and the scalenus anterior syndrome, Russell Patterson; Discussion, Bronson Ray. ¶ Executive session. Nomination of Section Officers and one member of Advisory Committee.

APRIL 11—*Section of Pediatrics*. Executive session—a] Reading of minutes; b] Nomination of Section Officers and one member of Advisory Committee. ¶ Papers of the evening—a] Tachycardia in the new born, Herman Tarnower (by invitation); Discussion, Bertron Lattin; b] Relationship of the jaws from birth to three years of age, J. H. Sillman, D.D.S. (by invitation); Discussion, Harry Bakwin; c] The use of sulfamethylthiazol in severe staphylococcal infections, Donald Weisman (by invitation); Discussion, Harry Neffson

(by invitation); d] Bacteriological and epidemiological distinctions between Grade A and Grade B pasteurized milk in New York City, Haven Emerson, representing the staff of the DeLamar Institute of Public Health of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University. ¶ General discussion.

APRIL 15—*Section of Ophthalmology*. Instruction hour—Neuro-ophthalmology, Kaufman Schlivek; Demonstration of slit lamp cases—Gordon M. Bruce, Girolamo Bonaccolto, Milton Berliner. ¶ Executive session—a] Reading of the minutes; b] Nomination of Section Officers and one member of Advisory Committee. ¶ Presentation of cases—a] Subacute dacryadenitis with fusiform bacillus conjunctivitis, Webb P. Chamberlain (by invitation); b] Plastic material for orbital implantation, Conrad Berens, Sidney Rothbard (by invitation); c] Autokeratoplasty, Wendell L. Hughes; Discussion, John C. Cunningham (by invitation); d] A simple suture for retention of corneal graft, Sigmund A. Agatston. ¶ Papers of the evening—a] Observations on the innervation and pharmacology of the eye muscles, Morris Bender (by invitation); b] Retrobulbar neuritis: an analysis of one hundred cases, Frank D. Carroll. ¶ General discussion.

APRIL 16—*Section of Medicine*. Executive session—a] Reading of the minutes; b] Nomination of Section Officers and one member of Advisory Committee. ¶ Papers of the evening—a] Histamine in anaphylaxis and allergy, Laurence Farmer; b] Histaminase: Physiologic effects on man and its therapeutic value in medicine, Grace M. Roth, Ph.D., Mayo Clinic (by invitation); Bayard T. Horton, Mayo Clinic (by invitation); Discussion, David Perla. ¶ General discussion.

APRIL 17—*Section of Genito-Urinary Surgery*. Executive session—a] Reading of minutes; b] Nomination of Section Officers and one member of Advisory Com-

mittee: For Chairman, John H. Morrissey; For Secretary, Frank C. Hamm; For Member of Advisory Committee, Simon A. Beisler; c] Election of Section Officers and one member of Advisory Committee. ¶ Papers of the evening—a] A simplified method of nephropexy (motion picture), John Duff; Discussion, O. S. Lowsley; b] The genesis, diagnosis and treatment of urinary tuberculosis, Oscar Auerbach, Sea View Hospital (by invitation); William P. Herbst, Georgetown Medical School (by invitation); John L. Emmett, Mayo Clinic (by invitation). ¶ Discussion.

APRIL 17—*Section of Otolaryngology*. Executive session—a] Reading of the minutes; b] Nomination of Section Officers and one member of Advisory Committee. ¶ Papers of the evening—a] Sphenoiditic hydrocephalus, Irving B. Goldman; Discussion, George A. Blakeslee; b] Ponto-facial angle tumors with particular reference to involvement of the acoustic nerve, Joseph H. Globus; Discussion, Byron Stookey; c] Localized non-suppurative encephalitis of otorhinologic origin, Miles Atkinson (by invitation); Discussion, Emanuel D. Friedman, James G. Dwyer. ¶ General discussion.

APRIL 19—*Section of Orthopedic Surgery*. Executive session—a] Reading of the minutes; b] Nomination of Section Officers and one member of Advisory Committee. ¶ Papers of the evening—a] Fascial transplants for abdominal paralysis, Nicholas Ransohoff; Discussion, Leo Mayer; b] Two-stage transplantation of the fibula for infected pseudarthrosis and congenital pseudarthrosis of the tibia, Philip Wilson; Discussion, John J. Nutt; c] Osteoid osteoma, Henry L. Jaffe; Discussion, A. Sumner Price. ¶ General discussion.

APRIL 23—*Section of Obstetrics and Gynecology*. Executive session—a] Reading of the minutes; b] Nomination of Section Officers and one member of Advisory Committee. ¶ Papers of the evening—a] The mental hygiene of preg-

nancy, labor and the puerperium, Margaret E. Fries; Discussion, Claude E. Heaton, Lawrence S. Kubie; b] Causes of death in carcinoma of the cervix uteri; an analysis of 124 autopsies in 1558 cases, Lionel S. Auster, Angelo M. Sala; c] The hormonal etiology of cervical carcinoma, Anthony Wollner.

#### AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

**MARCH 18**—*New York Roentgen Society* (in affiliation with *The New York Academy of Medicine*). Presentation of cases. ¶ Papers of the evening—a] The shrunk pulmonary lobe, Oswald R. Jones (by invitation); b] The vanishing lung, Stanton T. Allison (by invitation). ¶ Discussion: ¶ Executive session.

**MARCH 28**—*New York Pathological Society* (in affiliation with *The New York Academy of Medicine*). Case reports—a] Hemangioendothelioma of lung, Alfred Plaut; b] An unusual case of congenital heart disease, M. W. Johannsen. ¶ Papers of the evening—a] A consideration of so-called "granulosa" and "Theca" cell tumors of the ovary, Herbert F. Traut; b] Host-parasite relationships in some virus encephalitides, Lester S. King.

**APRIL 15**—*New York Roentgen Society* (in affiliation with *The New York Academy of Medicine*). Presentation of cases. ¶ Papers of the evening—a] A simpli-

fied operation for Ménière's syndrome and for intractable pain in the distribution of the glossopharyngeal and the trigeminal nerves, Abraham Kaplan (by invitation); b] An x-ray aid in the diagnosis of acute pyelophlebitis (portal thrombosis), Anthony Bassler (by invitation); c] Case of pelvic actinomycosis treated by surgery and Roentgen ray, Harriet C. McIntosh, Maurice Rashbaum (by invitation); d] Motion picture: Roentgen kymographic studies of the movements of the small intestine and colon, George A. Weltz, Munich, Germany (by courtesy of Wendell G. Scott, St. Louis). ¶ Discussion, Foster Kennedy (by invitation); Maurice Rashbaum (by invitation). ¶ Executive session.

**APRIL 25**—*New York Pathological Society* (in affiliation with *The New York Academy of Medicine*). Case reports—a] Torula infection of the central nervous system, Leo Wade (by invitation); b] Human tissue response to an unidentified microorganism resembling the bacillus lignieresii and past (pseudo-glanders), T. J. Curphey. ¶ Papers of the evening—a] Evaluation of postmortem bacteriology, Caspar G. Burn; b] Intracranial pathways for the extension of infection from the sphenoid-ethmoid sinuses, Rudolph Kramer (by invitation); Max L. Som (by invitation). ¶ Executive session.

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